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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER FLIGHT JUNE 25

REF: STATE 133867

1. ON RECEIPT OF REFTEL JUNE 22, EMBASSY TELEPHONED FLIGHT CLEARANCE SECTION OF POLISH CENTRAL BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION AND WAS TOLD THAT RESPONSE TO WORLD AIRWAYS' MAY 22 APPLICATION WAS SENT BY TELEX TO WORLD AIRWAYS LONDON OFFICE ON JUNE 12. PORTION OF TELEX QUOTED TO US READS: QUOTE PERMISSION CANNOT BE GRANTED. IN OUR OPINION THERE ARE FOUR POSSIBILITIES TO CARRY THE MENTIONED PASSENGER GROUP BY POLISH AIRLINES LOT SCHEDULED AIR SERVICE. UNQUOTE. TELEX SIGNED BY RYBARSKI, ACTING DIRECTOR, CENTRAL BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION.

2. EMBASSY ECON/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR THEN CONTACTED SENIOR ADVISOR (CHOWANIEC) IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE DEPARTMENT OF MFA AND INFORMED HIM OF SITUATION. CHOWANIEC SAID THIS WAS FIRST HE HAD HEARD OF THE MATTER. EMBASSY COUNSELOR PROTESTED VIGOROUSLY AND SAID REFUSAL OF CHARTER RAISED SERIOUS POLICY QUESTIONS. HE NOTED THAT LOT HAS ENJOYED VERY LIBERAL CHARTER RIGHTS IN THE U.S.

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AND THAT, TO DATE, NO LOT CHARTER FLIGHT REQUESTS HAD BEEN

DISAPPROVED. HE ALSO STRESSED POTENTIAL PROBLEMS AND REPERCUSSIONS WHICH WOULD CERTAINLY RESULT FROM REFUSAL OF WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER APPLICATION FOR THIS LARGE GROUP (252 PERSONS) OF POLISH-AMERICANS FROM DETROIT AREA. CHOWANIEC AGREED TO CONSULT WITH LOT AND POLISH CIVAIR AUTHORITIES.

3. CHOWANIEC CALLED BACK LATER ON JUNE 22 TO ADVISE THAT IN THIS CASE, POLISH CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES WERE FOLLOWING WHAT HE CLAIMED WAS ESTABLISHED POLICY, I.E., THAT PREFERENCE ON CHARTER FLIGHTS IS GIVEN TO THE "NATIONAL CARRIERS", WHICH IN THIS MATTER WERE PAN AMERICAN AND LOT. IF NEITHER OF THESE CARRIERS CAN CARRY THE PASSENGERS ON TIME, THEN CHARTER REQUEST FROM ANOTHER AIRLINE CAN BE ACCEPTED. HOWEVER, CHOWANIEC SAID, THIS WAS NOT THE CASE WITH REGARD TO THE REQUEST FROM WORLD AIRWAYS. IF REQUEST HAD COME FROM PANAM, HE SAID, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN APPROVED WITHOUT QUESTION. WORLD AIRWAYS, ON THE OTHER HAND, DID NOT ENJOY "PRIVILEGED POSITION" IN THIS REGARD.

4. CHOWANIEC ALSO SAID THAT IF THIS PROBLEM HAD BEEN CALLED TO ATTENTION OF MFA IN SUFFICIENT TIME, IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE TO MAKE A ONE-TIME EXCEPTION TO THE GENERAL POLICY AND CHANGE THE DECISION. ALTHOUGH WORLD AIRWAYS WAS NOTIFIED ON JUNE 12, MFA HEARD NOTHING ABOUT THE PROBLEM UNTIL JUNE 22. HE SAID IT WAS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT POLISH EMBASSY LONDON WOULD HAVE BEEN USED TO CONVEY MESSAGE, AS REPORTED PARA 3 REFTEL, WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF MFA.

5. IN SUBSEQUENT CALL TO EMBASSY FROM CHOWANIEC, HE ADVISED THAT FINAL POSITION OF POLISH AUTHORITIES WAS THAT QUESTION OF WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER APPLICATION SHOULD BE RESOLVED BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONAL AIRWAYS, PANAM AND LOT, IN NEW YORK. HE SAID IF THEY COME TO DIFFERENT CONCLUSION FROM THAT REACHED BY CIVAIR AUTHORITIES IN WARSAW, THEN PRESUMABLY WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER COULD BE APPROVED.

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6. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. WE NOTE THAT IN MAY 1972, CHARTER REQUEST FROM WORLD AIRWAYS WAS REFUSED BY POLES (WARSAW 2009 OF 5/16/72, AND STATE 089642 OF 5/23/72).  
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